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RHODE ISLAND JOBS INCREASE BY 3,300 IN MAY TO 459,600

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island rose by 3,300 jobs in May due to gains in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 459,600 in May. This figure represents a gain of 3,300 jobs from the April level and is 5,700 more than the May 1987 total of 453,900.

MANUFACTURING

Total Rhode Island factory employment decreased by 100 in May to 115,400. In addition, this was 1,000 jobs below the year earlier level of 116,400. In the Durable Goods category, the May employment figure of 79,700 was down 100 on both a monthly and an annual basis. Employment in the Nondurable Goods sector showed no change from the previous month's level of 35,700 but declined 900 compared to a year ago.

Within the Durable Goods category, monthly job gains were posted in Lumber/Furniture, Stone-Clay-Glass, Fabricated Metals and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (+100 each). Employment in both Transportation Equipment and Jewelry-Silverware was down 200 for the month, followed by a decrease of 100 in Electrical Machinery. Payroll levels in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from a month earlier. Compared

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JOB OPENINGS WANTED FOR THE CLASS OF '88

Department of Employment Security Director John S. Renza urges Rhode Island employers with job openings to consider hiring from the Class of '88 – those young men and women graduating from college, from business and vocational schools and from high schools who may be looking for their first job. These young people are eager to join the ranks of wage earners and contributors to Rhode Island's economy - and they are looking to you for that first opportunity.

The ten local offices of the Rhode Island Job Service are prepared to process applications for the graduates and to evaluate their abilities, aptitudes and interests in order to match the job-seeker to the needs of the employer. And, of course, there's never a fee for any of these services.

Rhode Island employers are reminded that job orders can be listed with the Job Bank – 277-3588 or toll-free Enterprise 2265. Job Bank listings receive next-day statewide exposure. Employers may also list job openings with the nearest Job Service office. A listing appears on page two of this Bulletin.

RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE OFFICES

BRISTOL COUNTY, 470 Metacom Ave.	245-9300
EAST PROVIDENCE, 877 Broadway	277-3546
NEWPORT COUNTY, 73 Valley Road Middletown	847-3680
PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St.	722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.	
Jewelry	277-3553
Manufacturing & Construction	277-3556
Professional & Clerical	277-3584
Temporary Help	277-3559
WAKEFIELD, Oliver Stedman Gov't. Center Tower Hill Road	789-9721
WARWICK, 50 Airport Road	737-9624
WESTERLY, 57 Spruce Street	596-2814
WEST WARWICK, 1330 Main St.	828-6134
WOONSOCKET, 217 Pond St.	762-9010

OTHER JOB SERVICE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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TJTC Job Orders	277-3726
Employer Relations Unit	277-3458
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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987
Total Placements	419	551	853
New Applications	1,568	1,798	2,116
New Openings Received	2,401	1,763	2,581

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	May 1988	April 1988	% Change Apr. 1988
Initial Claims	4,572	5,476	- 16.5
No. of Payments	36,322	40,277	- 9.8
Amt. of Payment	$ 5,794,547	$ 6,462,966	- 10.4
Exhaustions	897	911	- 1.5

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987
Initial Claims	3,738	3,607	3,351
No. of Payments	27,725	26,108	24,919
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,610,376	$ 4,289,432	$ 3,871,352

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987
Civilian Labor Force	524.7	524.4	522.8
Unemployment	14.4	17.6	20.0
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.7	3.4	3.8
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	2.9	3.3	4.0

PROVIDENCE

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	April 1988	March 1988	April 1987
Civilian Labor Force	343.6	341.3	339.0
Unemployment	11.2	13.6	13.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	3.9	3.9

PAWTUCKET - WOONSOCKET - ATTLEBORO

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	April 1988	March 1988	April 1987
Civilian Labor Force	168.2	168.2	167.8
Unemployment	6.5	7.9	8.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.9	4.6	4.9

NEWPORT Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	April 1988	March 1988	April 1987
Civilian Labor Force	35,370	34,845	35,035
Unemployment	1,085	1,270	1,215
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.1	3.6	3.5

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN RHODE ISLAND MAY 16 - 20, 1988

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	9,143	100.0
Men	4,864	53.2
Under 45	3,073	63.2
45 and Over	1,791	36.8
Women	4,279	46.8
Under 45	2,380	55.6
45 and Over	1,899	44.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	829	9.1
Manufacturing	4,183	45.8
Public Utilities	442	4.8
Wholesale and Retail	1,310	14.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	441	4.8
Service	1,297	14.2
All Other	641	7.0
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,350	14.8
Clerical and Sales	1,684	18.4
Service	588	6.4
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	40	0.4
Processing	388	4.3
Machine Trades	1,149	12.6
Bench Work	1,404	15.4
Structural Work	1,110	12.1
Miscellaneous	1,109	12.1
INA	321	3.5

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987	April 1988	May 1987
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	459.6	456.3	453.9	+ 3,300	+ 5,700
MANUFACTURING	115.4	115.5	116.4	- 100	- 1,000
NONMANUFACTURING	344.2	340.8	337.5	+ 3,400	+ 6,700
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	20.2	19.5	19.5	+ 700	+ 700
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	16.0	15.7	15.9	+ 300	+ 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	104.7	103.8	102.6	+ 900	+ 2,100
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	26.0	25.8	25.5	+ 200	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	117.9**	116.8	115.1	+ 1,100	+ 2,800
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	59.4	59.2	58.9	+ 200	+ 500

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		PRODUCTION - WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	May 1988	Apr. 1988	May 1987	Apr. 1988	May 1987	May 1988	May 1987	May 1988	May 1987	May 1988	May 1987
ALL MANUFACTURING	115.4	115.5	116.4	- 100	- 1000	336.26	326.42	39.7	40.2	8.47	8.12
DURABLE GOODS	79.7	79.8	79.8	- 100	- 100	329.78	322.40	39.4	40.2	8.37	8.02
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.2	3.1	3.1	+ 100	+ 100	407.23	386.63	40.4	40.4	10.08	9.57
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.6	1.8	+ 100	- 100	426.36	418.14	40.8	41.4	10.45	10.10
PRIMARY METALS	5.0	5.0	5.0	-	-	409.58	401.97	42.4	42.9	9.66	9.37
FABRICATED METALS	8.8	8.7	8.9	+ 100	- 100	324.39	304.21	39.9	40.4	8.13	7.53
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.1	6.1	6.1*	-	-	460.04	438.17	43.4	43.0	10.60	10.19
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.6	11.7	11.7	- 100	- 100	313.16	308.66	40.2	41.1	7.79	7.51
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.0	9.2	9.1	- 200	- 100	443.29	425.60	39.9	40.0	11.11	10.64
INSTRUMENTS	4.8*	4.8*	4.7*	-	+ 100	334.80	334.49	40.0	41.5	8.37	8.06
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.4	23.6	23.2	- 200	+ 200	259.97	254.78	38.4	39.5	6.77	6.45
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.1	6.0	6.2	+ 100	- 100	250.50	253.11	34.6	35.7	7.24	7.09
NONDURABLE GOODS	35.7	35.7	36.6	-	- 900	351.08	334.03	40.4	40.1	8.69	8.33
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 100	- 100	324.56	291.45	38.5	38.5	8.43	7.57
TEXTILES	10.1	10.1	10.4	-	- 300	312.66	302.74	40.5	40.8	7.72	7.42
APPAREL	2.6	2.6	3.0	-	- 400	300.05	286.28	42.5	42.1	7.06	6.80
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.3	2.4	-	- 100	320.99	297.27	41.1	40.5	7.81	7.34
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.9	6.9	-	-	450.84	424.87	38.5	37.8	11.71	11.24
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.0	3.1	+ 100	-	446.45	426.94	41.3	40.7	10.81	10.49
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.1	1.1	1.2	-	- 100	369.05	352.30	41.7	42.6	8.85	8.27
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	4.7	4.7	4.6	-	+ 100	358.69	335.67	40.9	40.2	8.77	8.35
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.1	2.1	2.1	-	-	244.53	238.20	39.0	39.9	6.27	5.97

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WHENEVER YOU NEED WORKERS CONTACT RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE

to a year ago, job increases were recorded in Jewelry-Silverware (+200), Lumber/Furniture and Instruments (+100 each). In contrast, annual decreases occurred in Stone-Clay-Glass, Fabricated Metals, Electrical Machinery, Transportation Equipment and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (-100 each). Employment in Primary Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery was unchanged from May 1987.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, a monthly job gain of 100 in Chemical Products offset a decline of 100 in Food-Beverage. Employment in the seven remaining Nondurable Goods categories was unchanged from April to May. On an annual basis, an advance of 100 was registered in Plastics Products. Contrarily, for the twelve month period employment in Apparel and Textiles showed decreases of 400 and 300, respectively. Also down from their year ago job levels were Food-Beverage, Paper Products and Rubber Products (-100 each), while the remaining industries equalled their May 1987 totals.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector increased by 3,400 from April to May, mainly the result of seasonal expansion in Services, Trade and Contract Construction. The current figure of 344,200 represents a gain of 6,700 jobs compared to the May 1987 level of 337,500.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the Service category reflected the most substantial monthly increase with the addition of 1,100 workers. At 117,900, this segment was up 2,800 from the same month a year ago. Wholesale and Retail Trade employment, at 104,700, and Contract Construction jobs, at 20,200, posted monthly advances of 900 and 700, respectively. On an annual comparison, the former category increased 2,100, while the latter was up by 700. Total Government employment rose by 200 in the April-May period to a level of 59,400, which was 500 more than the figure recorded a year earlier. Payroll levels in Transportation and Public Utilities increased 300 from the prior month to the May level of 16,000, and were up 100 compared to a year ago. Employment in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate showed a monthly upturn of 200. In addition, the current total of 26,000 represents an annual gain of 500 workers.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 4 cents to $8.47 in mid-May and were up 35 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.2 of an hour in May to 39.7 hours, which was 0.5 of an hour less than the figure reported in May 1987. Average weekly earnings for these workers amounted to $336.26 in May. Although this represents a reduction of 10 cents from last month, it is $9.84 higher than the total recorded a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 460,300 IN JUNE

Total establishment employment in Rhode Island rose for the fourth consecutive month in June to a new record high level, resulting from gains in both the Manufacturing and Nonmanufacturing sectors of the state's economy, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 460,300 in June. This represents an increase of 700 jobs from the prior month and is 4,600 greater than the June 1987 total of 455,700.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing employment climbed to 115,900 in June. Although this figure reflects a decrease of 1,200 from the year earlier total, it indicates a monthly gain of 500 jobs. In the Durable Goods category, the June employment level of 80,100 was up 400 from the May figure, but was down 200 compared to the June 1987 total. The Nondurable Goods employment level of 35,800 showed a gain of 100 in the May-June period but declined 1,000 from the year ago figure.

Within the Durable Goods sector, monthly job gains of 100 each were registered in Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, Jewelry-Silverware and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment. Employment levels in the remaining Durable Goods industries were unchanged during the month. Compared to a year ago, the largest Durable Goods employment increase occurred in Jewelry-Silverware(+ 300), followed by advances of 100 each in Lumber/Furniture, Primary Metals and

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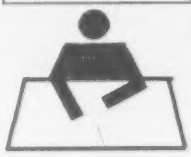

RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE MEANS DOLLARS AND SENSE TO EMPLOYERS

If you are a Rhode Island employer expanding to a second or third shift or who plans to add another location, you'll need additional workers. The Rhode Island Job Service can help you meet these needs.

Through its statewide network of ten local offices, the Job Service is prepared to answer your call for workers. Trained professional interviewers are able to offer a complete range of employer services to both employers and job-seekers-special worker recruitment, screening, referral and placement. There is no fee charged to either employer or job-seeker for any of these services.

This process is simple. You start it with a phone call to the Job Bank at 277-3588 to list your job openings. We'll do the rest. Your job openings are given statewide exposure in the Department's ten local Job Service offices. There is an office near you - see the listing on page two of this Bulletin.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987
Total Placements	819	419	695
New Applications	2,496	1,568	2,308
New Openings Received	1,650	2,401	2,600

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	June 1988	May 1988	% Change May 1988
Initial Claims	7,210	4,572	+ 57.7
No. of Payments	34,842	36,322	- 4.1
Amt. of Payment	$ 5,417,928	$ 5,794,547	- 6.5
Exhaustions	710	897	- 20.8

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987
Initial Claims	3,897	3,738	3,851
No. of Payments	28,026	27,725	27,614
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,637,230	$ 4,610,376	$ 4,306,041

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987
Civilian Labor Force	527.4	524.7	525.3
Unemployment	16.3	14.4	20.2
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.1	2.7	3.8
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	3.1	2.9	4.0

PROVIDENCE

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987
Civilian Labor Force	342.7	343.6	338.8
Unemployment	9.2	11.2	12.6
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PAWTUCKET - WOONSOCKET - ATTLEBORO

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987
Civilian Labor Force	167.7	168.2	168.9
Unemployment	5.4	6.5	7.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.2	3.9	4.4

NEWPORT Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	May 1988	April 1988	May 1987
Civilian Labor Force	36,220	35,370	36,115
Unemployment	845	1,085	1,170
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.3	3.1	3.2

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NONMANUFACTURING	344.4	344.2	338.6	+ 200	+ 5,800
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	20.9	20.2	20.4	+ 700	+ 500
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	16.4	16.0	16.3	+ 400	+ 100
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	106.6	104.7	104.6	+ 1,900	+ 2,000
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	26.2	26.0	25.7	+ 200	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	115.5**	117.9**	113.0	- 2,400	+ 2,500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	58.8	59.4	58.6	- 600	+ 200

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	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	June 1987	June 1988	June 1987	June 1988	June 1987
ALL MANUFACTURING	115.9	115.4	117.1	+ 500	-1,200	336.60	327.64	39.6	40.3	8.50	8.13
DURABLE GOODS	80.1	79.7	80.3	+ 400	- 200	330.96	324.81	39.4	40.5	8.40	8.02
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.2	3.2	3.1	-	+ 100	413.71	399.64	40.8	41.2	10.14	9.70
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	-	- 100	419.20	416.57	40.0	40.8	10.48	10.21
PRIMARY METALS	5.1	5.0	5.0	+ 100	+ 100	414.92	409.10	42.6	43.2	9.74	9.47
FABRICATED METALS	8.9	8.8	9.1	+ 100	- 200	325.98	307.44	39.9	40.4	8.17	7.61
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.1	6.1	6.2 *	-	- 100	461.38	445.56	43.2	43.3	10.68	10.29
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.6	11.6	11.7	-	- 100	312.00	312.00	40.0	41.6	7.80	7.50
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	9.0 *	9.0	9.1	-	- 100	439.70	422.68	39.4	39.8	11.16	10.62
INSTRUMENTS	4.8 *	4.8 *	4.7 *	-	+ 100	331.50	333.66	39.7	41.5	8.35	8.04
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.5	23.4	23.2	+ 100	+ 300	262.19	257.75	38.5	39.9	6.81	6.46
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.2	6.1	6.4	+ 100	- 200	254.00	256.26	34.7	36.4	7.32	7.04
NONDURABLE GOODS	35.8	35.7	36.8	+ 100	-1,000	350.95	335.20	40.2	40.0	8.73	8.38
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.8	2.8	3.0	-	- 200	324.86	294.50	38.4	38.0	8.46	7.75
TEXTILES	10.0	10.1	10.5	- 100	- 500	313.91	306.06	40.4	40.7	7.77	7.52
APPAREL	2.7	2.6	3.0	+ 100	- 300	296.81	290.11	42.1	42.6	7.05	6.81
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.3	2.4	+ 100	-	318.30	303.32	40.6	41.1	7.84	7.38
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.9	6.9	-	-	447.36	423.75	38.4	37.5	11.65	11.30
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.1	3.1	-	-	448.69	427.43	41.7	40.4	10.76	10.58
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.1	1.1	1.1	-	-	377.69	351.05	42.2	42.5	8.95	8.26
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	4.7	4.7	4.7	-	-	363.26	337.74	41.0	40.4	8.86	8.36
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.1	2.1	2.1	-	-	242.19	229.49	38.2	38.7	6.34	5.93

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Instruments. In contrast, both Fabricated Metals and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment showed annual decreases of 200, while Stone-Clay-Glass, Nonelectrical Machinery, Electrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment declined 100 each from their June 1987 totals.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries monthly employment upturns of 100 each in Apparel and Paper Products more than offset a decrease of 100 in Textiles. The remaining Nondurable Goods industries posted no change from their May employment levels. On an annual comparison, downturns were recorded in Textiles (-500), Apparel (-300) and Food-Beverage (-200), while the six remaining Nondurable Goods industries equalled their year earlier employment totals.

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing sector showed little change from May to June, increasing by 200 to the current level of 344,400. This gain was caused by seasonal hiring in several nonfactory segments, which more than offset education-related declines in Services and Government. The June employment figure is also 5,800 jobs above the year ago total of 338,600.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, the most sizable monthly job gain (+1,900) occurred in Wholesale and Retail Trade. At 106,600, this segment was up 2,000 from its June 1987 employment level. Contract Construction jobs advanced 700 for the month to 20,900, which represents an upturn of 500 from the figure reported a year ago. Transportation and Public Utilities, at 16,400, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 26,200, posted monthly increases of 400 and 200, respectively. Compared to a year ago, the former was up 100, while the latter segment rose 500. Although overall Government employment declined 600 from last month to the current level of 58,800, it recorded an annual gain of 200. For the month, Services employment stood at 115,500, a decline of 2,400 from the May total. Within this industry, a decline in private education overshadowed gains in seasonal areas such as amusement and recreation and hotels/motels. Nevertheless, the June Services figure was up 2,500 compared to the same month a year ago.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 3 cents to $8.50 in mid-June and were up 37 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week decreased by 0.1 of an hour in June to 39.6 hours, which was 0.7 of an hour below the figure reported in June 1987. Average weekly earnings for these workers amounted to $336.60 in June. This represents an increase of 34 cents from last month and is $8.96 more than the total recorded a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT DECLINES TO 454,600 IN JULY

Overall establishment employment in Rhode Island declined by 5,700 jobs in July as a result of vacation-related plant closings in Manufacturing industries, combined with seasonal job decreases in the Nonmanufacturing sector, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 454,600 in July. Although this figure represents a monthly reduction of 5,700 jobs, it is 4,800 above the July 1987 level of 449,800.

MANUFACTURING

Reflecting decreases due mainly to industry plant closings for vacations, total factory employment fell by 3,800 jobs to a level of 112,100 in mid-July, and was 1,100 below the year earlier figure of 113,200. In the Durable Goods category,the July employment total of 77,600 was down 2,500 from last month and decreased 300 from the figure recorded one year ago. The current Nondurable Goods employment of 34,500 was 1,300 jobs below the June total and declined 800 from the July 1987 level.

Within the Durable Goods producing sector, the most sizable monthly job decrease occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (-600), followed by downturns of 400 each in Fabricated Metals, Electrical Machinery and Transportation Equipment. In addition, reductions of 200 jobs each were reported in Lumber/Furniture and Instruments, while monthly declines of 100 each were registered in Primary Metals, Nonelectrical Machinery and the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment. Employment in Stone-Clay-Glass showed no change in the

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DES SURVEYS SELECTED RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYERS

Many Rhode Island employers continue to participate by request in the 1988 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) survey. This program, administered by the Department of Employment Security in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, provides basic information on the occupational distribution of jobs in the State. The survey is conducted annually but focuses each year on only a selected segment or segments of the State's economy. In 1988 the OES survey continues to concentrate on Rhode Island's non-manufacturing industries.

The data gleaned from the survey has many uses which include being a major component in developing projections of occupational needs. Current and projected occupational information is an important tool in determining training requirements and providing counseling for persons who are making career decisions.

The OES data also allows employers to compare their firm's occupational composition with their particular industry as a whole. Additionally, OES information can be helpful in market research targeted toward specific groups of workers and in developing company staffing strategies. All information provided by employers is confidential and is not published in such a manner as to be attributable to a specific employer.

DES greatly appreciates the cooperation shown by the many employers selected for this latest, as well as previous, surveys. Further information concerning the Occupational Employment Statistics program is available by writing to DES Research and Statistics, 24 Mason Street, Providence, RI 20903

RHODE ISLAND JOB SERVICE OFFICES

BRISTOL COUNTY, 470 Metacom Ave.	245-9300
EAST PROVIDENCE, 877 Broadway	277-3546
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PAWTUCKET, 109 Main St.	722-7500
PROVIDENCE, 130 West Exchange St.	
Jewelry	277-3553
Manufacturing & Construction	277-3556
Professional & Clerical	277-3584
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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Total Placements	669	819	1,071
New Applications	2,621	2,496	2,619
New Openings Received	1,594	1,650	1,646

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	July 1988	June 1988	% Change June 1988
Initial Claims	10,106	7,210	+ 40.2
No. of Payments	38,923	34,842	+ 11.7
Amt. of Payment	$ 6,011,372	$ 5,417,928	+ 11.0
Exhaustions	745	710	+ 4.9

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Initial Claims	3,290	3,897	3,581
No. of Payments	26,027	28,026	24,389
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,352,346	$ 4,637,230	$ 4,000,374

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Civilian Labor Force	519.3	527.4	521.7
Unemployment	17.1	16.3	22.5
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.3	3.1	4.3
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	2.9	3.1	3.8

PROVIDENCE

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987
Civilian Labor Force	344.0	342.7	339.2
Unemployment	10.6	9.2	12.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.1	2.7	3.8

PAWTUCKET - WOONSOCKET - ATTLEBORO

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987
Civilian Labor Force	168.1	167.7	169.9
Unemployment	6.3	5.4	7.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.7	3.2	4.3

NEWPORT Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987
Civilian Labor Force	37,435	36,220	36,855
Unemployment	960	845	1,130
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.6	2.3	3.1

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN RHODE ISLAND MAY 16 - 20, 1988

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	9,143	100.0
Men	4,864	53.2
Under 45	3,073	63.2
45 and Over	1,791	36.8
Women	4,279	46.8
Under 45	2,380	55.6
45 and Over	1,899	44.4
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	829	9.1
Manufacturing	4,183	45.8
Public Utilities	442	4.8
Wholesale and Retail	1,310	14.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	441	4.8
Service	1,297	14.2
All Other	641	7.0
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,350	14.8
Clerical and Sales	1,684	18.4
Service	588	6.4
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	40	0.4
Processing	388	4.3
Machine Trades	1,149	12.6
Bench Work	1,404	15.4
Structural Work	1,110	12.1
Miscellaneous	1,109	12.1
INA	321	3.5

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987	June 1988	July 1987
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	454.6	460.3	449.8	- 5,700	+ 4,800
MANUFACTURING	112.1	115.9	113.2	- 3,800	- 1,100
NONMANUFACTURING	342.5	344.4	336.6	- 1,900	+ 5,900
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	21.1	20.9	20.7	+ 200	+ 400
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	15.8	16.4	15.5	- 600	+ 300
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	106.5	106.6	104.5	- 100	+ 2,000
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	26.4	26.2	25.9	+ 200	+ 500
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	115.9**	115.5**	113.5	+ 400	+ 2,400
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.8	58.8	56.5	- 2,000	+ 300

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES: Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987	June 1988	July 1987	July 1988	July 1987	July 1988	July 1987	July 1988	July 1987
ALL MANUFACTURING	112.1	115.9	113.2	-3800	-1100	336.08	329.20	39.4	40.0	8.53	8.23
DURABLE GOODS	77.6	80.1	77.9	-2500	- 300	329.67	325.60	39.2	40.0	8.41	8.14
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.0	3.2	2.8	- 200	+ 200	421.68	398.96	40.9	41.3	10.31	9.66
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	-	- 100	415.20	410.80	40.0	40.0	10.38	10.27
PRIMARY METALS	5.0	5.1	4.9	- 100	+ 100	412.85	400.26	42.3	42.4	9.76	9.44
FABRICATED METALS	8.5	8.9	8.6	- 400	- 100	329.54	311.60	39.8	40.0	8.28	7.79
NONELECTRIC MACH	6.0	6.1	6.0 *	- 100	-	458.38	439.38	43.0	42.7	10.66	10.29
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.2	11.6	11.4	- 400	- 200	308.80	302.94	40.0	40.5	7.72	7.48
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP	8.6 *	9.0 *	8.9	- 400	- 300	433.29	435.51	39.0	40.4	11.11	10.78
INSTRUMENTS	4.6 *	4.8 *	4.5 *	- 200	+ 100	338.00	326.83	40.0	40.6	8.45	8.05
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	22.9	23.5	22.7	- 600	+ 200	260.06	260.70	37.8	39.5	6.88	6.60
MISCELLANEOUS MFG	6.1	6.2	6.3	- 100	- 200	262.35	249.22	35.5	35.3	7.39	7.06
NONDURABLE GOODS	34.5	35.8	35.3	-1300	- 800	349.44	335.60	39.8	40.0	8.78	8.39
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.8	2.8	2.9	-	- 100	320.83	287.20	37.7	36.4	8.51	7.89
TEXTILES	9.4	10.0	9.9	- 600	- 500	312.78	309.26	40.1	40.8	7.80	7.58
APPAREL	2.6	2.7	2.9	- 100	- 300	298.35	295.85	42.2	43.7	7.07	6.77
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.3	2.4	2.3	- 100	-	319.93	304.96	40.6	41.1	7.88	7.42
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.7	6.9	6.7	- 200	-	440.30	415.49	37.6	36.9	11.71	11.26
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.0	3.1	2.8	- 100	+ 200	438.36	432.89	40.3	40.8	10.88	10.61
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.1	1.1	1.1	-	-	382.12	352.37	42.6	42.2	8.97	8.35
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	4.6	4.7	4.6	- 100	-	362.64	337.28	40.7	40.2	8.91	8.39
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.0	2.1	2.1	- 100	- 100	241.39	240.20	37.6	40.1	6.42	5.99

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June-July period. Compared to a year ago, job gains were recorded in Lumber/Furniture and Jewelry-Silverware (+200 each), and also in Primary Metals and Instruments (+100 each). However, these annual gains were more than offset by employment decreases in Transportation Equipment (-300), Electrical Machinery (-200), the Miscellaneous Manufacturing segment (-200), Stone-Clay-Glass (-100) and Fabricated Metals (-100). Employment in Nonelectrical Machinery was unchanged from its year ago level.

Among the Nondurable Goods producing industries, Textile employment (-600) posted the largest monthly reduction. For the same period, decreases also occurred in Printing-Publishing (-200), and Apparel, Paper Products, Chemical Products, Plastics Products and Leather Products (-100 each). Job levels in Food-Beverage and Rubber Products were unchanged from last month. On an annual comparison, the sole increase was reported in Chemical Products (+200). In contrast, annual payroll declines were apparent in Textiles (-500), Apparel (-300), Food-Beverage and Leather Products (-100 each). Employment in the remaining four Nondurable Goods industries was unchanged compared to July 1987

NONMANUFACTURING

Overall employment in Rhode Island's Nonmanufacturing establishments dropped by 1,900 from June to July, mainly due to education-related employment decreases in Government. Although the current total of 342,500 is less than the June figure, it is 5,900 greater than the July 1987 level of 336,600.

Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, Services employment reflected the most substantial monthly job increase (+400), as it rose to a level of 115,900, which was up 2,400 from the year ago figure. Both Contract Construction, at 21,100, and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, at 26,400, advanced by 200 from their June totals. On an annual basis, jobs in the former industry were up 400, while the latter increased by 500. A monthly downturn of 2,000 occurred in overall Government employment, primarily due to seasonal reductions in education-related jobs; however, at 56,800, this segment rose 300 from the previous July. Employment in Transportation and Public Utilities, at 15,800 posted a monthly decrease of 600, but showed a gain of 300 compared to a year ago. Although payroll levels in Trade registered a monthly decline of 100, the July total of 106,500 represents an annual gain of 2,000.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings for Rhode Island's production workers increased by 3 cents to $8.53 in mid-July, and were up 30 cents compared to a year ago. The average work week declined by 0.2 of an hour in July to 39.4 hours, which was 0.6 of an hour below the figure reported in July 1987. Average weekly earnings for these workers amounted to $336.08 in July. Although this represents a decrease of 52 cents from last month, it is $6.88 more than the total recorded a year ago.

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RHODE ISLAND EMPLOYMENT INCREASES TO 458,100 IN AUGUST

Overall Rhode Island establishment employment rose by 3,500 in August, mainly as a result of factory employees returning to work following plant vacation closings in July, reported John S. Renza, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Employment Security.

According to preliminary estimates prepared by the Department of Employment Security, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Rhode Island employment totalled 458,100 in August. This represents a monthly gain of 3,500 jobs and is 5,200 more than the August 1987 level of 452,900.

MANUFACTURING

Overall Manufacturing employment rose by 3,200 in the July-August period. However, the current total of 115,300 is 1,100 less than the year ago figure of 116,400. In the Durable Goods category, employment increased 1,700 from last month to the August level of 79,300, but was down 700 compared to the year earlier figure. The August Nondurable Goods manufacturing total of 36,000 represents a monthly gain of 1,500, but was 400 below the figure reported one year ago in August..

Within the Durable Goods category, the most sizable monthly job gain occurred in Jewelry-Silverware (+800). Additional monthly employment increases were recorded in Fabricated Metals (+300), Electrical Machinery and Instruments (+200 each), followed by upturns of 100 each in Primary Metals and Nonelectrical Machinery. Employment levels in the remaining Durable Goods industries showed no change from last month. Compared to a year ago, job gains were registered in Jewelry-Silverware (+400), Lumber/Furniture and Instruments (+100 each). In

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NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH

For the first time since 1945, the accomplishments of people with disabilities and recognition of employers for their record of providing job oppportunities for workers with disabilities will encompass a full month nationally.

October is NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH (formerly National Employ the Handicapped Week) and was established by Congress to allow more time to evaluate the past year's efforts in the disability field and to spotlight important accomplishments.

Announcing the 44th observance of handicapped employability, DES Director John S. Renza commends the record of the many Rhode Island employers who take a positive approach to hiring and retaining workers with disabilities.

During Fiscal Year 1988 a total of 992 handicapped individuals sought employment through the R.I. Job Service system of local offices. Over 33% of them - 330 were placed in jobs. In the past 44 years the Job Service has accentuated the positive - that a worker's abilities are far more important than his or her limitations.

Employers wanting to hire qualified handicapped workers are encouraged to list their job openings with the Job Bank - 277-3588 or any local office of the Rhode Island Job Service. They are listed on Page 2 of this Bulletin.

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITIES

	August 1988	July 1988	August 1987
Total Placements	1,298	669	1,007
New Applications	2,924	2,621	2,207
New Openings Received	2,918	1,594	2,455

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

	August 1988	July 1988	% Change July 1988
Initial Claims	5,116	10,106	- 49.4
No. of Payments	47,738	38,923	+ 22.6
Amt. of Payment	$ 7,557,056	$ 6,011,372	+ 25.7
Exhaustions	852	745	+ 14.4

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

	August 1988	July 1988	August 1987
Initial Claims	3,955	3,290	3,455
No. of Payments	28,704	26,027	27,366
Amt. of Payments	$ 4,868,941	$ 4,352,346	$ 4,378,869

RHODE ISLAND

Labor Force - Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	August 1988	July 1988	August 1987
Civilian Labor Force	523.4	519.3	522.5
Unemployment	14.4	17.1	19.6
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.8	3.3	3.8
Seasonally Adjusted Rate	2.9	2.9	3.9

PROVIDENCE

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Civilian Labor Force	336.4	344.0	336.7
Unemployment	10.7	10.6	14.3
Rate (Unadjusted)	3.2	3.1	4.2

PAWTUCKET - WOONSOCKET - ATTLEBORO

Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area
Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates
(In thousands)

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Civilian Labor Force	167.6	168.1	168.6
Unemployment	7.1	6.3	7.8
Rate (Unadjusted)	4.2	3.7	4.6

NEWPORT Labor Area

Labor Force-Unemployment Estimates

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Civilian Labor Force	36,895	37,435	36,795
Unemployment	775	960	1,065
Rate (Unadjusted)	2.1	2.6	2.9

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN RHODE ISLAND AUGUST 15-19, 1988

Sex and Age	Number	Percent
Total	11,172	100.0
Men	5,328	47.7
Under 45	3,477	65.3
45 and Over	1,851	34.7
Women	5,844	52.3
Under 45	3,556	60.8
45 and Over	2,288	39.2
Industry Attachment		
Contract Construction	806	7.2
Manufacturing	4,350	38.9
Public Utilities	1,071	9.6
Wholesale and Retail	1,666	14.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	331	3.0
Service	2,564	23.0
All Other	384	3.4
Occupational Skills		
Prof., Tech. and Managerial	1,930	17.3
Clerical and Sales	2,312	20.7
Service	1,190	10.6
Fishery, Forestry & Rel. Occ.	40	0.4
Processing	278	2.5
Machine Trades	886	7.9
Bench Work	1,732	15.5
Structural Work	1,468	13.1
Miscellaneous	1,336	12.0
INA	0	0.0

TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT IN RHODE ISLAND

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			NET CHANGE FROM	
	Aug 1988	July 1988	Aug 1987	July 1988	Aug 1987
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT*	458.1	454.6	452.9	+ 3,500	+ 5,200
MANUFACTURING	115.3	112.1	116.4	+ 3,200	- 1,100
NONMANUFACTURING	342.8	342.5	336.5	+ 300	+ 6,300
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	21.2	21.1	20.7	+ 100	+ 500
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	15.7	15.8	15.4	- 100	+ 300
TRADE (Wholesale & Retail)	106.8	106.5	105.1	+ 300	+ 1,700
FINANCE, INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	26.4	26.4	25.8	0	+ 600
SERVICE (Miscellaneous)	116.0 **	115.9 **	113.5	+ 100	+ 2,500
GOVERNMENT (Federal, State & Local)	56.7	56.8	56.0	- 100	+ 700

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN R.I.

	EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS			Net Change From		PRODUCTION-WORKER AVERAGES Weekly Earnings		Weekly Hours		Hourly Earnings	
	Aug 1988	July 1988	Aug 1987	July 1988	Aug 1987	Aug 1988	Aug 1987	Aug 1988	Aug 1987	Aug 1988	Aug 1987
ALL MANUFACTURING	115.3	112.1	116.4	+ 3200	-1100	334.05	329.54	39.5	39.8	8.50	8.28
DURABLE GOODS	79.3	77.6	80.0	+ 1700	- 700	326.43	326.36	39.0	39.8	8.37	8.20
LUMBER/FURNITURE	3.0	3.0	2.9	0	+ 100	419.02	391.88	40.8	40.4	10.27	9.70
STONE-CLAY-GLASS	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 100	420.00	412.40	40.0	40.0	10.50	10.31
PRIMARY METALS	5.1	5.0	5.1	+ 100	0	405.04	401.32	41.5	42.2	9.76	9.51
FABRICATED METALS	8.8 *	8.5	9.0	+ 300	- 200	327.98	311.98	39.9	40.1	8.22	7.78
NONELECTRIC MACH.	6.1	6.0	6.2 *	+ 100	- 100	468.03	449.24	43.7	43.7	10.71	10.28
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	11.4	11.2	11.7	+ 200	- 300	307.32	296.01	39.4	39.0	7.80	7.59
TRANSPORTATION EQUIP.	8.6 *	8.6 *	9.1	0	- 500	431.97	436.91	38.5	39.9	11.22	10.95
INSTRUMENTS	4.8 *	4.6 *	4.7 *	+ 200	- 100	327.93	322.00	38.9	40.0	8.43	8.05
JEWELRY-SILVERWARE	23.7	22.9	23.3	+ 800	+ 400	260.37	260.95	37.9	39.3	6.87	6.64
MISCELLANEOUS MFG.	6.1	6.1	6.2	0	- 100	263.11	258.46	35.7	36.3	7.37	7.12
NONDURABLE GOODS	36.0	34.5	36.4	+ 1500	- 400	351.20	337.95	40.0	39.9	8.78	8.47
FOOD-BEVERAGE	2.8	2.8	3.0	0	- 200	325.94	295.54	37.9	37.6	8.60	7.86
TEXTILES	10.1	9.4	10.3	+ 700	- 200	316.35	305.92	40.3	40.2	7.85	7.61
APPAREL	2.7	2.6	3.0	+ 100	- 300	294.53	295.64	41.6	42.6	7.08	6.94
PAPER PRODUCTS	2.4	2.3	2.4	+ 100	0	319.93	307.02	40.6	41.1	7.88	7.47
PRINTING-PUBLISHING	6.9	6.7	6.7	+ 200	+ 200	446.20	433.58	38.3	38.0	11.65	11.41
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	3.1	3.0	2.9	+ 100	+ 200	436.40	431.17	40.0	40.6	10.91	10.62
RUBBER PRODUCTS	1.1	1.1	1.2	0	- 100	375.48	349.03	42.0	41.9	8.94	8.33
PLASTICS PRODUCTS	4.7	4.6	4.7	+ 100	0	373.91	331.30	41.5	39.3	9.01	8.43
LEATHER PRODUCTS	2.2	2.0	2.2	+ 200	0	246.13	248.68	38.1	40.7	6.46	6.11

1987 Figures REVISED. 1988 Figures are PRELIMINARY. Estimates are for pay period which includes the 12th of the month.

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